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Alert 1:

There is a shocking new report by **Mumbai Mirror** about attendance of MP's(Members of Parliament) in lok sabha .

Link:

<http://mumbaimirror.indiatimes.com/news/india/only-five-mps-clock-100-per-cent-attendance-in-lok-sabha/articleshow/58987493.cms>

Bad news :

5/545 MP's had 100 % attendance.

Good news :

Bhairon Prasad Mishra, MP Banda, Uttar Pradesh, participated in 1,468 debates and discussions, the highest in the Lok Sabha and has 100 per cent attendance record.

First of we would like to congratulate ,

PRS Legislative Research for collecting all data & publishing it for free .

Link :

And also Shri.Bhairon Prasad Mishra for his 100 % attendance, this shows the commitment he has towards his constituency .

Now the question is does 100 % attendance in parliament important?

First of all there are few cases where attendance can be ignored upto certain level like medical emergencies, or family responsibilities.

But there is an important & controversial question, do the MP's find attending debates which are attached to identity of political party important? And rest debates can be ignored ?

Also what is the success of debate when MP's are not studious to attend debates, ask questions and only attend debates which give them name and fame and achieve their political goals.

Also the question of expenditure of travelling can be ruled out because they have been provided travel allowances.

The complete data of salary, allowances & benefits MP's have can be found in following news report by **Financial Express**.

Link :

<http://www.financialexpress.com/money/heres-what-lok-sabha-members-get-as-salaries-allowances-other-benefits/624120/>

We think MP's should be aware of their responsibility towards their constituency, and should interact monthly with people of their constituency and ask questions, participate in debate and improve their attendance.

If they don't feel so they should be ashamed to accept their salary which is a huge figure.

50,000 ₹ per month

Therefore $50,000 \text{ ₹} * 12 \text{ months} * 5 \text{ years} = 30,00,000 \text{ ₹}$

is a huge amount and we the citizens of India can't ignore it.

Late. Dr.APJ Kalam (People's president, Scientist) was very much concerned with the issue of how the debates can

Link:

http://www.abdulkalam.nic.in/address_parliament_farewell.html

<http://timesofindia.com/india/In-his-last-days-he-was-worried-about-Parliament-disruption/articleshow/48260438.cms>

Quote from news article:

For the past two days, Dr Kalam was worried that time and again Parliament was dysfunctional. He said, "I have seen two governments in my tenure. I have seen more after that. This disruption just keeps happening. It is not right. I really need to find a way to ensure that Parliament works on developmental politics."

We conclude today's discussion with following views:

" We should stop waiting for a political saint to develop our nation instead we should stay alert & take personal efforts whatever we can in development of our nation & keep elected government in check !"

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